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MISCELLANEOUS NOTES ON AFGHANISTAN

1. A key issue is whether the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan was an aberration or standard seizing of opportunity.

There are those who are anti-Hobbesian; i.e., they believe the natural tendency of the Soviets and others is to live in harmony and peace and that it is an aberration or an abnormality when they upset the applecart.

2. One thing we must keep in mind with respect to our policy on Afghanistan is that the Soviets are bound to erupt if we stick it to them publicly and officially—if they know we are supporting the insurgents behind the scenes and keep it that way, they will be mad but understanding.

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Please tell Bruce Clarke I am going to see a retired Vice Admiral on Sunday who that I think would be a perfect candidate for a NIO General. Would he give me a copy of the chart he showed me the other day on the NFAC organization and anything else that might help me in describing the NIC and NIO General's function.

Whom I'd like to get from someone a list of the countries/we think have been provided SA-7s by the Soviet Union or have acquired them.

To Bob States FORAC.

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Agee Fight Goes To Highest Court

The Justice Department asked the Supreme Court yesterday-to-overturn a court order-restoring a passport to exthe government says is damaging national security. 🖖 Having lost its case in both ptrial court and appeals court, the government urged the Supreme Court to rule that the president, acting through the secretary of state, has authority, to revoke the passport of: an American citizen whose international travel activities have caused and will continue to cause serious damage to national security and foreign policy. The Justice Department said international travel was essential to Agee's activities because it allowed him to collect information, recruit help actract extremist groups and gain media attention.